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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 8-11 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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Claim Objections

Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 1 ends in a semi-colon, not a period. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. For claim 1, "said slotted hinge apertures" lacks antecedent basis. Also in claim 1, it is unclear which mounting bracket is being referred to in line 5.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1, 2, 5 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kohler et al (6,238,027). Kohler teaches a secure door assembly mountable on an equipment rack (Fig. 5) comprising: generally L-shaped first

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and second mounting brackets (21.1; plural disclosed) fastenable to the rack via a plurality of mounting points (25,30) and each including rear and side plate portions (24,23), and an aperture (in 22) and a door (20) hingedly fastened to the hinge apertures via hinge posts (29).

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Nhep et al (6,594,857). Nhep teaches a secure door assembly mountable on an equipment rack (Fig. 1) comprising: first and second mounting brackets (46,48) fastenable to the rack (22) via mounting points (see Fig. 3) and each including rear and side plate portions pairs (51,52) which form a generally L-shaped configuration and hinge apertures (58 at 84) and a door (60) hingedly fastened to the brackets. The side plates also include fingers and ^{the fingers} a door includes posts (122).

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 8-11 are allowed. For claim 8, the prior art fails to teach a method of mounting a secure door assembly to an equipment rack comprising: securing first and second mounting brackets to the equipment rack, the mounting brackets each having a side plate portion, a rear plate portion at a first end of the side plate portion, a plurality of cable management fingers with hinge apertures located at a second end of said side plate portion, and a plurality of mounting points located along said rear plate portion and inserting a plurality of hinge posts located along a first side of the door into the slotted hinge apertures of the first

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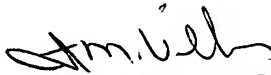
mounting bracket, wherein said door is sized to span from the first mounting bracket to the second mounting bracket.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Janet M. Wilkens whose telephone number is (571) 272-6869. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lanna Mai can be reached on (571) 272-6867. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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